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Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission



MERC/ADM/RTI/052/2020/0356

Dt. 16.10.2020

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To,
✓ **Public Information Officer (RTI)**
Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd.
Plot No. G-9, Prakashgad,
Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051.

Subject : Your application dated 23.09.2020 submitted under RTI Act 2005.

Your application has been transfer from CERC vide its letter No. ADMIN-11037/1/2019-RTI CELL/CERC dared 22th September, 2020 under section 6 (3) RTI Act 2005 to the Public Information Officer, Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, Mumbai. The office of the Commission is in receipt of your application Dated 05.10.2020 under section 6 (1) RTI Act 2005 seeking information by the PIO.

No	Information Sought	Information Provide
1	Which is the agency which decides the tariff in the States?	The information has sought, However for your quires you may kindly refer below MERC Order :-
2	What are the criteria for fixing up the rates /tariff of electricity consumed in domestic as well as commercial areas?	1. MSEDCL Case No. 322 of 2019, Dt.30 March, 2020 2. BEST Case No. 324 of 2019, Dt.30 March, 2020 3. AEML Case No. 325 of 2019, Dt.30 March, 2020 4. Tata Power Ltd. Case No. 326 of 2019 Dt.30 March, 2020 Above orders are available in downloadable format on Commission's websites www.merc.gov.in **
3	Till date in last 5 years how much revenue has been generated in terms of defaults and penalties? Please provide the state wise list.	
4	Under which regulations the consumer can be penalized for non-payment of these tariff?	However for your quires you may kindly refer MERC (MULTI YEAR TARIFF) REGULATIONS, 2019 which is available in downloadable format on Commission's websites www.merc.gov.in **

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5	How many electricity connections are there in domestic as well as commercial areas in each state? Please provide village wise list of each state mentioning the number of connections.	This information pertains to MSEDCL. Hence, Your application is being transferred under Section 6 (3) of RTI Act, 2005 to the MSEDCL, Prakashgad, Bandra (E), Mumbai.*** <i>(Application copy attached)</i>
6	What steps have been taken to check illegal connections by each state? Please provide the list of such connections mentioning the total number of actions taken year wise in last 10 years.	
9	In last 10 years, how many electricity connections were applied, allotted, disconnected? Please provide state-wise annual report.	
8	Please provide the state-wise load capacity and consumption, village wise under each state or UT of India.	
7	In last 10 years, how many complaints pertaining to breakdown have been received by each state and how many were rectified within 1 hour/4 hours / 12 hours / 24 hours. Please provide the certified copies by the concerned authorities.	This types of information is not available with this Office of the Commission.
10	During COVID – 19, what major relief has been provided by each state to the people who lost their jobs or other sources of income and could not pay the electricity bills?	The Commission has provided moratorium for moratorium on payment of fixed charges of the electricity bill by consumers under Industrial and Commercial category for next three billing cycles beginning from the lockdown date of 25.03.2020 vide its MYT Orders and issued various procedural practice directions as attached in this regard. (Total 10 pages) copy attached herewith for your reference.

*** Since the requisite Para No. 5, 6, 8 & 9 information is pertains to your office. Hence this RTI application is being transferred under Section 6 (3) of RTI Act, 2005. It is requested to forward the requisite information/documents to applicant directly under intimation to this office.

** Please note that the above Tariff orders is available in public domain on the Commission website in downloadable format on www.merc.gov.in. As per the Hon'ble CIC decision No. CIC/YA/A/2014/000379/SB Dated 19.09.2016 in the matter of Shri. K. Lall Vs M. K. Bagri, Assistant Registrar of Companies and CPIO, Appeal No. CIC/AT/A/2007/00112, dated 12.04.2007,

since the same is available in public domain, the PIO is not obliged to provide the same to the appellant under the RTI Act.

Shri Anil Kumar Ukey, Director (Legal) In-charge is the first Appellate Authority for the purpose of Appeal under Sub- Section (1) of section 19 of the Right Information Act, 2005. Address: Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission, World Trade Centre, Centre No.1, 13th Floor, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai - 400005 Tel. No. 022-22163964/65/69. Email: anilkumar.ukey@merc.gov.in.

Yours faithfully,



(Pradeep Mohare)

Public Information Officer & Section Officer

Attach : Documents (Total 10 pages)

Copy to -

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Nodal Officer (RTI), CERC,
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